

In 1986, the company was involved in the launch of the Sea Link HF voice communication station in Tors Cove. This station is used by international airlines and shipping companies as an inexpensive alternative to satellite transmission in making long-distance voice communication with land-based facilities.

In addition, the company provides data communications consulting services, including computer software development, computer system design and training courses.

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Voice & Data Systems supplies equipment for computerized voice messaging and telephone answering services. The company developed a voice frequency computer interface, which is combined with its proprietary telephone answering and messaging equipment, for applications such as voice messaging, central dictating and speech activated annotation of texts.

The company recently introduced a Voice Response system built upon the Intel 386 technology. The system features advanced development tools, a modular architecture and is IBM compatible.

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Wescom Communications Research International specializes in economic, technical and policy research for the

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The company operates globally and has experience in North America, Western Europe, Southeast Asia and the Pacific region. Clients include the Asia Development Bank, World Bank, the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA), government PTTs, service providers, manufacturers and system operators. Sector studies have recently been made for the Philippines, Malaysia, Pakistan and Western Samoa. Related sample projects have focused on rural services, satellite facilities, terrestrial systems, fibre optics and value-added services. Industrial strategy and training assessments and services have also been provided in Malaysia and Singapore. The company is currently providing advisory services and consulting to the Government of Canada on research and development co-operative programs for information technology.

Wescom maintains associations with several leading engineering and consulting firms throughout Canada, the United States and the United Kingdom in support of its international activities.

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Westinghouse Canada is a supplier of data communications equipment used in airline passenger reservation

systems. This equipment is manufactured at the company's operations in Burlington, Ontario, with subsidiary operations in Dublin, Ireland. Information display terminals designed by Westinghouse Canada are widely used by travel agencies and by over 160 airlines around the world.

Communications controllers developed by Westinghouse Canada allow communications between different makes of equipment and represent a major technological advance that has gained rapid international acceptance. Westinghouse controllers are now used in communications centres around the world, enabling over 300 airlines in 170 countries to communicate with each other regarding passenger reservations and other flight information.

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Westronic Inc. manufactures supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) products for electric utilities, oil and gas systems and telecommunication networks. The company has 20 years' experience in these and related fields.

Designed to meet the most stringent performance requirements, Westronic's WESDAC remote terminal units (RTU) have been successfully installed throughout the world in virtually every type of environment.